



JON M. HUNTSMAN, JR.
Governor

GARY R. HERBERT
Lieutenant Governor

State of Utah
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

MICHAEL R. STYLER
Executive Director

JOHN R. BAZA
Division Director

Outgoing
C0070006
#3534
OK

June 30, 2010

Dennis Ware, Controller
Plateau Mining Corporation
P.O. Box 30
Helper, Utah 84526-0030

Subject: Conditional Approval of Phase III Bond Release, Task ID #3534, Plateau Mining Corporation, Star Point Mine, C/007/0006

Dear Mr. Ware:

The above-referenced amendment is conditionally approved upon the verification of closing of the sale between PMC and ConocoPhillips and our receipt of 8 clean copies of the amendment prepared for incorporation. Please submit these copies by July 22, 2010 with the following additional information:

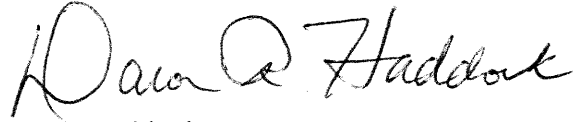
- Include in Exhibit 412.200a a copy of the certification of publishing of the Public Notice in the Sun Advocate for four consecutive weeks;
- Replace the zoning information provided in Exhibit 412.200a with a copy of the Carbon County Conditional Use Permit for construction and operation of two gas wells; and
- Revise text on page 400-7 to read "Re-zoning of certain areas formerly within the Star Point permit area for oil and gas operations is approved by the Carbon County Department of Planning and Zoning Conditional Use Permit included in Exhibit 412.200a."

Upon receipt of these copies and the verification of the closing the Division will grant final approval of the amendment. Approval for bond release will be granted after all other appropriate government agencies also approve the bond release. A stamped incorporated copy of the approved plans will also be returned to you at that time, for insertion into your copy of the Mining and Reclamation Plan.

Page 2
Dennis Ware
June 30, 2010

If you have any questions, please call me at (801) 538-5325 or Kevin Lundmark at (801) 538-5352.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daron Haddock". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "D" and "H".

Daron Haddock
Permit Supervisor

DRH/KWL/sqs
cc: Price Field Office
O:\007006.STP\FINAL\WG3534\CONDAPP_TID3534DRH.DOC